

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1373

WHEREAS, Mississippi mourns the passing of Lee Tarrt, a courageous Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics agent who was killed in the line of duty at the age of 44; and

WHEREAS, Agent Tarrt, a 22-year law enforcement veteran, began his service with the MBN in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Agent Tarrt was named the 2011 MBN Agent of the Year and won the H. Lane Caldwell Award for Valor in 2012; and

WHEREAS, we are indebted to Agent Tarrt, who was known for his honesty, integrity and courage, for his service and commitment to the people of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the prayers of this State are with Lee's wife, Deborah, two step-children and his many other family members and friends:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a day of official mourning in the State of Mississippi in memory of MBN Agent Lee Tarrt, and do hereby order the State Flag on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction fly at half-staff, beginning at sunrise and ending at sunset on Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, the 22nd day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and fortieth.

A blue ink signature of Phil Bryant, which appears to read "Phil Bryant".
PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

A blue ink signature of C. Delbert Hosemann, Jr., which appears to read "C. Delbert Hosemann, Jr."

C. DELBERT HOSEMANN, JR.
SECRETARY OF STATE